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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Sir:

Pursuant to Rule 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.51(b), 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, this Information Disclosure Statement is submitted in the above-identified patent application. A listing of documents to be published on the face of any patent granted from this application is submitted herewith on Form PTO-1449. Any other documents or information submitted for consideration by the Examiner are listed in this paper. A copy of each U.S. and foreign patent, or each publication or portion thereof listed or herein identified is submitted herewith.

ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTS OR INFORMATION NOT LISTED ON ACCOMPANYING FORM PTO-1449 SUBMITTED FOR CONSIDERATION

International Search Report dated June 8, 2000 in related PCT application. German Search Report dated October 13, 1999 in related German application 199 07 697.9 filed February 23, 1999.

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CONCISE STATEMENT OF RELEVANCY (NON-ENGLISH LANGUAGE DOCUMENTS ONLY)

The documents mentioned on the accompanying Form PTO-1449 are mentioned in the International Search Report dated June 8, 2000 and the German Search Report dated October 13, 1999 that accompanies this paper. The relevancy of the documents is evident from the International Search Report and the German Search Report.

All of the documents relate to data carriers having security elements.

STATEMENT REGARDING TRANSLATIONS

English language translations other than abstracts are not presently available for the non-English language documents.

DE 197 31 968 is equivalent to WO 99/04983 which includes an English language abstract on the face of the document submitted herewith.

DE 197 18 859 is equivalent to WO 98/50238 which includes an English language abstract on the face of the document submitted herewith.

DE 196 39 299 is accompanied with an English language translation of the abstract submitted herewith.

DE 195 48 528 is equivalent to WO 97/23357 which includes an English language abstract on the face of the document submitted herewith.

DE 39 42 663 is accompanied with an English language translation of the abstract submitted herewith.

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STATEMENT OF CUMULATIVE INFORMATION

Some of the documents identified on the PTO-1449 form are equivalent to those documents mentioned in the German Search Report and the International Search Report.

- U.S. Patent No. 5,714,231 is equivalent to DE 43 135 21.
- U.S. Patent No. 4,631,222 is equivalent to DE 34 22 910.
- U.S. Patent No. 6,036,232 is equivalent to DE 196 11 383.
- U.S. Patent No. 6,284,396 is equivalent to DE 195 29 171.
- U.S. Patent No. 5,631,039 is equivalent to DE 695 05 539.
- U.S. Patent No. 5,166,283 is equivalent to DE 38 56 001.

Canadian Patent No. 2,032,587 is equivalent to EP 0 435 029.

STATEMENT OF TIMELINESS

This Information Disclosure Statement is submitted within three months of (i) the filing date of the above-identified U.S. National Patent application, or (ii) the date of entry into the U.S. National Stage of the above-identified International Application, or (iii) the date of entry into the U.S. National Stage of the International Application that has been assigned the above-identified U.S. Patent application number, whichever applies.

This Information Disclosure Statement is submitted prior to the mailing date of the first Office Action on the merits received by Applicant in the above-identified application.

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CERTIFICATION

It is hereby certified that each item of information contained in this statement was first cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application.

The Examiner is requested to acknowledge consideration of the information provided in this paper in accordance with prescribed procedures.

Respectfully submitted,

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